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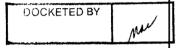
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AZ CORP COMMISSION IN THE MATTER OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE OF **CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF A.A.C. R14-2-1606** IN THE MATTER OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE OF **CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF A.A.C. R14-2-1606** IN THE MATTER OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE OF) CERTAIN ELECTRIC COMPETITION RULES **COMPLIANCE DATES** IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF ITS STRANDED COST RECOVERY

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RESPONSE OF THE ARIZONA UTILITY INVESTORS ASSOCIATION TO THE REQUEST OF THE ARIZONA COMPETITIVE ALLIANCE FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

The Arizona Utility Investors Association (AUIA) hereby responds to the March 13, 2002, request of the Arizona Competitive Power Alliance (Alliance) for an extension of time to file testimony in the above-captioned dockets.

AUIA requests that the Chief Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) of the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission) deny the extension or, in the alternative, grant the same extension to AUIA.

The application of Arizona Public Service Company (APS) in this matter was filed on October 18, 2001, and its direct testimony was filed on December 12, 2001. Therefore, regardless of the terms of the Feb. 8 procedural order, the Alliance has had a minimum of 96 days and as much as 152 days in which to secure witnesses and prepare testimony, if it were due today.

The Alliance's assertion that "the discovery process in this Proceeding has not run its course," is immaterial. Since there is no deadline in the procedural order, discovery could continue until the hearing date by all parties involved.

19	In its request, the Alliance asserts that a 10-day extension "will not prejudice
20	the interests of any other parties." AUIA suggests that the interests of the
21	Applicant will be sorely prejudiced by shortening the time in which it has to
22	respond to the Alliance's rebuttal unless it seeks an additional delay.
23	In addition, AUIA's interests are adverse to those of the Alliance. The
24	procedural order calls for contemporaneous filings by intervenors and AUIA
25	submits that it will be disadvantaged by having to file its testimony 10 days earlier
26	than the Alliance.
27	The Alliance has not shown sufficient justification for an extension of the
28	deadline for filing its testimony, which, in turn, would likely result in further
29	delaying this proceeding. AUIA respectfully requests that the ALJ deny the
30	Alliance's motion. In the alternative, AUIA requests that it be granted a similar
31	delay.
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33	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 19th day of March, 2002.
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